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March 11, 2015

System No. 4600064

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Heather Newell, Assistant Public Service Officer
Tahoe National Forest
15924 HWY 49
Camptonville, CA 95922

TRANSMITTAL OF CITATION NO. 01-02-14C-009

Dear Ms. Newell,

The State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board), Division of Drinking Water, has issued the Tahoe National Forest a citation, which is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call staff engineer Steve Watson at (530) 224-4828 or me at (530) 224-4800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael J. McNamara".

Michael J. McNamara, P.E.
Lassen District Engineer
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

cc: Elizabeth Morgan, Sierra County Environmental Health Department

Enclosure: Citation No. 01-02-14C-009

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**CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS,
TITLE 22, SECTION 64426.1(b) AND 64424 - WATER SYSTEM NO. 4600064
C I T A T I O N N O . 01-02-14C-009
Issued on March 11, 2015**

Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the issuance of a citation to a public water system for violation of the California Safe Drinking Water Act (Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270) (hereinafter "California SDWA"), or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder.

The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director for the Division (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues a citation to the Tahoe National Forest Cal Ida Campground (hereinafter, Campground) (15925 HWY 49, Camptonville, CA 95922) for violation of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 64426.1 subsection (b).

APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**Section 116650 of California Health and Safety Code provides:**

(a) If the department determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the department may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.

(b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.

(c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.

(d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).

(e) The department may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.

California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64426.1, subsection (b) provides, in relevant part:

(b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL [maximum contaminant level] when any of the following occurs:

1 (1) For a public water system which collects at least 40
2 samples per month, more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected
3 during any month are total coliform-positive; or

4 (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40
5 samples per month, more than one sample collected during any month is
6 total coliform-positive; or

7 (3) Any repeat sample is fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-
8 positive; or

9 (4) Any repeat sample following a fecal coliform-positive or E.
10 coli-positive routine sample is total coliform-positive.

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12 **California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64424 provides, in relevant**
13 **part:**

14 (a) If a routine sample is total coliform-positive, the water supplier shall
15 collect a repeat sample set as described in paragraph (a)(1) within 24 hours of being
16 notified of the positive result. The repeat samples shall all be collected within the
17 same 24 hour time period.

18 (1) For a water supplier that normally collects one or fewer samples
19 per month, a repeat sample set shall be at least four samples for each
20 total coliform-positive sample.

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22 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

23 The Campground is located on the north side of Highway 49, approximately 13 miles
24 south of Downieville. It is open for public use during the months between May and
25 September each year. The domestic water system is classified as a transient non-
26 community water system. As such, the Campground is required to collect one routine
27 bacteriological sample during each month the Campground is open to the public.

1 On September 8, 2014, a routine bacteriological sample was collected from the
2 Campground's distribution system, which was found to contain total coliform bacteria.
3 A repeat bacteriological sample collected on September 9, 2014, was also found to
4 contain total coliform bacteria. The distribution system was then flushed and
5 additional repeat samples were collected on September 12, 2014. All of these
6 samples were absent of total coliform bacteria. No cause for the contamination was
7 found.

8 9 **DETERMINATIONS**

10 Based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the
11 Campground violated Section 64426.1(b)(2), Title 22, of the CCR, in that the
12 Campground exceeded the total coliform MCL during the month of September 2014.

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14 Based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the
15 Campground violated Section 64424, Title 22, of the CCR, in that the Campground
16 did not collect all repeat samples within 24 hours of being notified of the positive
17 result.

18 19 **DIRECTIVES**

20 The Campground is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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- 22 1. Comply with Section 64426.1 and 64424, Title 22, of the CCR in all future
23 monitoring periods.
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 - 25 2. Upon opening of the facility in 2015, the Campground shall notify persons
26 served of the MCL violation as required by Section 64463.4 and Section
27 64465, Title 22, of the CCR. Notification shall be completed in accordance with

1 each of the following:

- 2 a. Posting of the notice contained in Attachment A in conspicuous
3 locations throughout the Campground for at least seven days. The
4 Campground must also give a legible, written description (preferably
5 typed) of the corrective actions taken by the water system to address
6 the violation under the section entitled "What Happened? What Was
7 Done?". The Campground must use the space provided on
8 Attachment A for this written description.
- 9 b. Provide the notice contained in Attachment A to visitors using one or
10 more of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be
11 reached by a public posting:
- 12 i. Publication in a local newspaper,
13 ii. Posting on the Internet.
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- 15 3. Complete and return Attachment B, entitled "Compliance Certification" form no
16 later than June, 30, 2015. A copy of the notices used to provide the public
17 notification shall be attached to the form.
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19 All documents required by this Citation to be submitted to the Department shall be
20 submitted to the following address:

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22 Michael J. McNamara, P. E.
23 Lassen District Engineer
24 State Water Resources Control Board
25 Division of Drinking Water
26 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 101
27 Redding, CA 96002
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1 As used in this Citation, the date of issuance shall be the date of this Citation; and the
2 date of service shall be the date of service of this Citation, personal or by certified
3 mail, on the Water System

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5 Nothing in this Citation relieves the Campground of its obligation to meet the
6 requirements of Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4 (California
7 Safe Drinking Water Act), or any regulation, permit, standard or order issued or
8 adopted thereunder.

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10 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to this Citation, as it may
11 deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be
12 issued as amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.

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14 **PARTIES BOUND**

15 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Campground, its officers,
16 directors, shareholders, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

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18 **SEVERABILITY**

19 The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the Campground shall comply with
20 each and every provision thereof, notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other
21 provision.

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23 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

24 The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue citation with assessment of
25 administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of
26 the requirements of the California SDWA or any permit, regulation, permit or order
27 issued or adopted thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation



1 identified in a citation or compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the
2 Board to take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public
3 water system if the system has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to
4 comply with an order of the Board; and to petition the superior court to take various
5 enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with or
6 violates an order of the Board. The Board does not waive any further enforcement
7 action by issuance of this citation.

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11 3-11-2015
12 Date

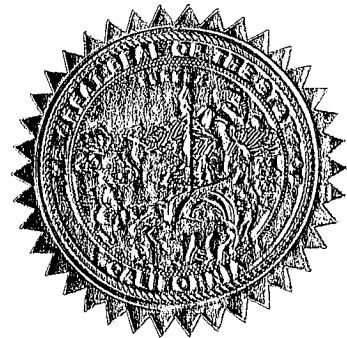
Michael J. McNamara
Michael J. McNamara, P.E.
Lassen District Engineer
Division of Drinking Water
State Water Resources Control Board

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19 Attachments:

20 'A' Public Notification

21 'B' Compliance Certification

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Tests Showed Coliform Bacteria in the Cal Ida Campground Domestic Water System

Our water system violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our water users, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants in the water system. During September 2014, we collected seven samples from our water system to test for the presence of coliform bacteria. Two of these samples showed the presence of coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than one sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

What Should You Do?

You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

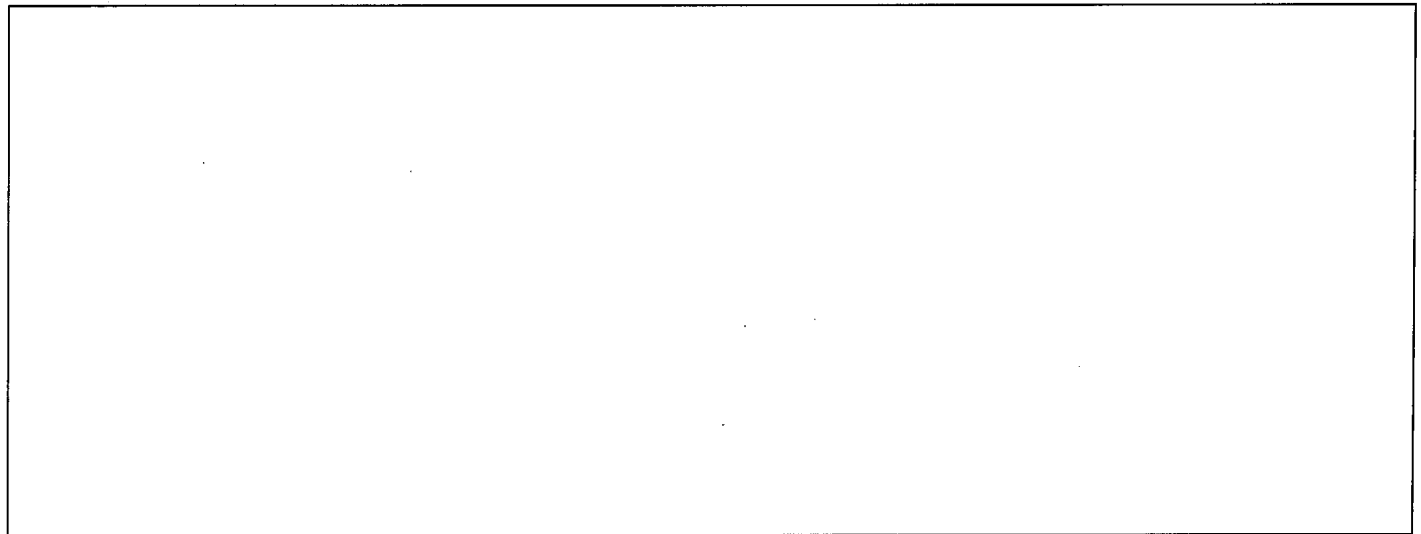
People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1 (800) 426-4791.

What Does This Mean?

This is not an emergency. If it were, you would have been notified immediately. Coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*

Usually, coliform bacteria are a signal that there may be a problem with our source of supply, storage, or distribution systems. Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or E. coli, are present. We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing, and further testing shows that this problem has been resolved.

What Happened? What Was Done?



For more information please contact Heather Newell, Tahoe National Forest, at (530) 487-6253.

COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Citation Number: **01-02-14C-009**

Name of Water System: **TNF – Cal Ida Well**

System Number: **4600064**

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the violations of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) for the compliance period of September 2014. In addition, I certify that the TNF – Cal Ida water system complied with the directives of this citation as indicated below:

<u>Required Action</u>	<u>Date Completed</u>
Public Notification, as required by Directive 2(a)	_____
Public Notification, as required by Directive 2(b)	_____
_____	_____
Signature of Water System Representative	Date

Attach a copy of the notice posted within the water system, a copy of the notice published in the newspaper or posted on the internet.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2015.
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Disclosure: Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.



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or PO Box No. 15924 HWY 49
City, State, ZIP+4 Camptonville, CA 95922

PS Form 3800, August 2006

See Reverse for Instructions

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Drinking Water
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CA 96002